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December 3, 2003

TO:

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FROM:

Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D. W

Director and Chief Medical Officer

SUBJECT:

ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND

PREVENTION (CDC) TO SUPPORT HIV/AIDS DIRECTLY ADMINISTERED

ANTIRETROVIRAL THERAPY (DAART)

This is to advise you that we are exercising the delegated authority, authorized by the Board on December 3, 2002, to accept Notice of Cooperative Agreement (NCA) No. U64/CCU919440-04 from CDC, for the period September 30, 2003 through September 29, 2004, subject to approval by County Counsel. The NCA for the final year of the study is in the amount of \$388,126 and will be utilized to support a collaborative effort to evaluate the efficacy and feasibility of HIV/AIDS Directly Administered Antiretroviral Therapy (DAART).

On December 3, 2002, the Board delegated authority to the Director to accept the NCA from CDC for the final year of the epidemiologic research study of HIV/AIDS DAART provided that the NCA is substantially similar to the previous NCA (U64/CCU919440-03) accepted by the Board on that date. NCA U64/CCU919440-04 complies with this requirement as reviewed and approved by County Counsel.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Administrative Officer County Counsel Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors